

MONTGOMERY COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSION
FINANCE - TECHNOLOGY- PLANNING COMMITTEE

MAY 17, 2001

EOB 10th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Fernando Bren, Chair
Commissioner Leonard Marco
President Kenneth Fisher, GWGVFD
Captain Craig Mickel (Alternate)
Frank Kaleyias, MCFB

OTHERS PRESENT:

Gordon A. Aoyagi, MCFRS
George Giebel, MCFRS
Steve Kurtz, GWGVFD
Steve Lamphier, MCFRS
Cecilia Abruscato, Willis of MD
Jeanne Mandell, Willis of MD
District Chief Elwood Ey, DFRS
Annette Cheng, MCFRS

1- CALL TO ORDER
(Committee Chair Bren)

The meeting of the Finance, Technology and Planning Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Bren at 7:49 a.m. in the EOB 10th Floor conference room at 101 Monroe Street, Rockville, Maryland.

2- APPROVAL OF APRIL 19, 2001 MEETING MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Marco to approve the minutes of April 19, 2001 meeting of the Finance, Technology and Planning Committee. MOTION SECONDED by President Fisher and PASSED unanimously.

3- FY02 MCFRS COMMERCIAL INSURANCE RENEWAL

Ms. Mandell of Willis Corroon Insurance gave a presentation on the MCFRS Commercial insurance renewal. There was an issue raised about the collision deductible. The current collision deductible is \$500.00. However, Ms. Mandell indicated that it was \$250.00. President Fisher requested that Ms. Mandell clarify on that issue.

Mr. Lamphier reported that the coverage remains unchanged in general. However, Willis Corroon is considered a 9% premium increase due to significant losses with portable equipment and vehicles in this past year.

Ms. Mandell reported that the auto liability has increased significantly. Commissioner Bren requested that this issue be referred to the System Safety Committee for review.

Ms. Mandell gave an overview on the plans of insurance for the MCFRS benefits for Covered Injuries and Covered Illnesses.

A MOTION was made by President Fisher to maintain the current plan for benefits for Covered Injuries and Covered Illnesses. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Marco and PASSED unanimously.

A MOTION was made by President Fisher to recommend to the FRC the approval of the proposed FY02 MCFRS Commercial Insurance Renewal, pending the resolution of the issue raised with the collision deductible. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Marco and PASSED unanimously.

A MOTION was made by President Fisher to have the Fire Administrator report on a comprehensive analysis on vehicular accidents and steps taken or to be taken to improve loss control. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Marco and PASSED unanimously.

4- SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Apparatus/Facilities Subcommittee**

President Fisher reported that the AFS is in the process to redraft the current FRC policy for the MCFRS Support Vehicle. The Subcommittee will meet on May 28 to review the draft policy.

President Fisher advised that the AFS is reviewing the DGM final report on Apparatus and Vehicle Maintenance record keeping and is in the process to submit comments to the DMG consultant.

The AFS completed the EMS Unit Replacement report in March, reviewed staff memo of April 16 and took exception to several comments from staff. Upon final review by the EMS Subcommittee of the Operations Committee, the FTP Committee will review comments received from the EMS Subcommittee.

- **Finance Subcommittee**

Commissioner Marco reported that the County Council is finalizing the MCFRS budget today.

Mr. Giebel advised that the Subcommittee has scheduled a special meeting on June 7, 2001 at 1930 hours in the EOB lobby auditorium to discuss the policy on the Acquisition of Fire and Rescue Vehicles.

- **Planning Subcommittee**

Fire Administrator Aoyagi reported that the Council had delayed the construction of Germantown East fire station for one year. However, we were able to prevail upon the County to allow the purchase of land under ALAR. The fire station was originally planned for FY06. He also stated that the PSTA construction was delayed for one additional year.

District Chief Ey reported that a full report on Station 11 will be given at the June FTP meeting. He also stated that a Class A & Class B Foam Strategy Risk Assessment will take place on June 11 and 12 at the PSTA.

District Chief Ey reported that the Commission accepted the Phase II report on Station Area 30 at its May 10, 2001 meeting.

- **Technology Subcommittee**

Fire Administrator Aoyagi reported that with the approval of PS2000, there will be improvements made to the record management system.

A representative from the Program Management System will give an update on the record management system at the June FTP meeting.

6. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Marco to adjourn the meeting. MOTION SECONDED by Captain Mickel and PASSED unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

